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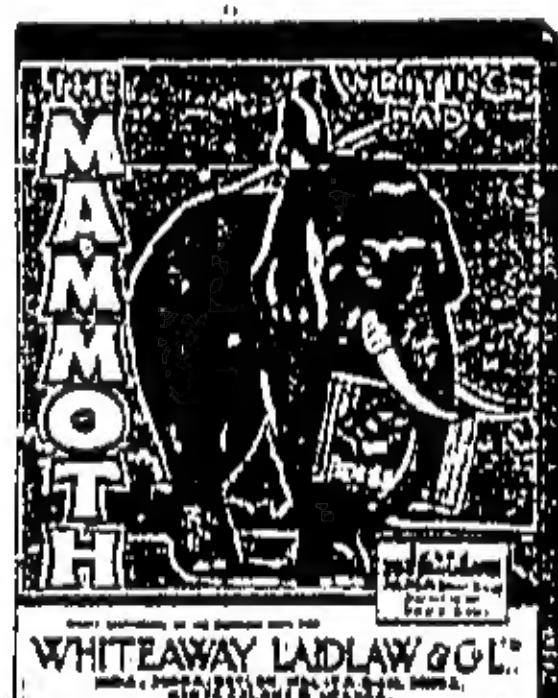
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## DARING ROBBERY.

TAKES PLACE IN MID-  
HARBOUR.

SENTENCE OF 5 YEARS.

Alleged to have been concerned in a robbery aboard a cargo boat in the harbour, three Chinese (Poh Hoo—alias—Poh Chan-lai, Chan Kan and So Sze) were charged at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

On June 3, said Mr. H. K. Holmes, Crown Solicitor, prosecuting, cargo boat No. 1668V was lying off Praya East near Bowrington Canal. On board there were Kwok San-mul, a woman, her husband who had defective eyesight, a feeble old woman relative whom it was not proposed to call and some young children.

About 10.30 a.m. the first prisoner approached the boat in the company of a man whom the police had been unable to find. They engaged the boat to go to the Electric Company's North Point wharf where the first prisoner went ashore, returning about 1 o'clock with the second and third prisoners. They then directed the boat to go to the Hungnam electric power station where they stated a cargo of copper was waiting.

Whilst the boat was crossing the harbour the passengers turned on the people aboard, continued the Crown Solicitor, and made them descend the hold. There was some statement as to the first prisoner holding a revolver. The highway was then covered up and boards nailed across, the people in the hold hearing movements above them and eventually a question as to whether "this was" all they'd got.

Captives Released.

Shortly afterwards there was a bump as if the boat had struck against something and as there were no longer sounds of movement above the captives proceeded to release themselves by forcing the boards nailed across the hatchway. Having achieved this they found the deck strewn with clothing and certain articles and \$80 in money taken from a cash box which had been forced open. A report was made at Hungnam police station.

Sergeant O'Connor received a message at the Tsimshatsui police station at 2.30 p.m. and took charge of the case. The boat woman was taken to Yaumati in the company of detectives the next day and pointed out the first prisoner as one of the men concerned in the robbery. Later in the same day the two other prisoners were arrested, one in Shanghai Street, Mongkoktsui, and the other in Pitt Street.

At an identification parade held at the police station the woman picked out the three prisoners from amongst other men as those concerned in the robbery. Two of the elder children who had been on the boat at the time also identified the men. With regard to the identification, an interesting point, said the Crown Solicitor, was that according to the story of the boat woman the same party of men who had on this occasion robbed the boat had some time previously engaged it to go to Laichikok where they said there was a cargo of hemp. Having arrived there they said the cargo was not available as it was a Sunday and they paid the boat off. The boat woman was sure that the men were the same and if she spoke the truth it would certainly have had a bearing on her ability to recognise the men.

Prisoners' Statements.

The following statements were made to the Police by the prisoners when charged:

The first prisoner, "I have nothing to say. I am not that type of man."

The second prisoner, "the money was not divided by me. I did not take more than \$10. The others forced me to take it."

The third prisoner, "I do not know how much money they took. The revolver was not held by me. I was given over \$16. The boat was not engaged by me. I have never been a robber before."

When the interpreter read over these statements at the Sessions this morning the third prisoner denied that he said he had received over \$16. He contended that he had said he did not have any money.

The interpreter gave evidence as to the translation and as to

## TRAM SERVICE.

CARS TO SHAUKIWAN ON  
SATURDAY.

TRACK PARTLY CLEARED.

It will be welcome news to residents at Taikoo and the neighbourhood to hear that there is a prospect of the tramway service being resumed to Shauiwan on Saturday.

Shortly after the flood, the Whitfield area was cleared of debris which enabled cars to run as far as Quarry Bay, just beyond the Ming Yuen Gardens. The section beyond it, with the track narrowing down at places, was in a hopeless condition with the mountains of earth and rock which obstructed the road.

Large gangs of coolies have been working energetically in clearing the obstructions and at the present rate of progress it is safe to assume that the road will be all clear by Saturday.

Very little has been done so far in the way of clearing the track round Happy Valley which received the full force of the flood in the section between the terminus and the Hongkong Hotel garage entrance. It is not yet known when cars will be able to run round the Valley. At present cars run as far as the Dragon Garage and return on the same track.

## MOTOR THEFT.

MARINE HAWKER FOUND  
GUILTY.

SENT TO PRISON.

The case of the marine hawker who was charged with larceny and alternatively with receiving a radiator badge taken from Mr. W. K. Reynolds's car was, again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

After the cross-examination of witnesses and a statement made by the defendant from the witness-box, Mr. W. B. Hind submitted for the defence that the evidence was very inconclusive and the constable probably followed the wrong man.

He said the defendant had been a marine hawker for 16 years with no offence against him, and he would hardly risk his livelihood by having anything to do with a radiator cover which would be of no use to anybody except a car owner. He asked for defendant's discharge, as there was an element of doubt in the case.

His Worship held defendant to be guilty of larceny and sentenced him to six months' imprisonment.

This week's "Overland China Mail" will contain the articles on last Thursday's typhoon, the series of official communiques on the boycott conference together with the Hongkong delegation's report, a full reprint of the illustrated deluge description in last Friday's issue, and all the local news of the week.

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reading the statement over to the prisoner before he signed it.

Other evidence was called and on prisoners being asked if they wished to make further statements the first said that he had been wrongly identified. He was never on the boat.

The second and third prisoners made statements involving the fourth man whom the Crown Solicitor said the Police had been unable to get into touch with. He was referred to by prisoners as the "pock marked man." The second prisoner said he had only held the rudder whilst this man committed the robbery.

The jury found all three men guilty and His Honour, Mr. Justice Wood, sentenced them to five years' imprisonment.

## MACAO'S GOVERNOR.

COMING HERE TO LEAVE  
FOR HOME.

LOCAL RECEPTION?

H.E. the Governor of Macao, Senhor Maia Magalhães will leave Macao to return to Portugal via Hongkong on August 1, arriving here at 5 p.m. on the same day.

The Governor will not come by steamboat as was expected, but on the Portuguese cruiser "República."

The reason for his return to Portugal has not been ascertained. The Portuguese Consul-General in Hongkong was not in a position to make a statement, considering it a personal matter.

The Portuguese Government has already appointed Senhor Arthur Figueiredo Barbosa, who is the Sub-Director General of the Ministry of Colonies in Lisbon, as successor to the outgoing Governor.

The date of arrival of the new Governor has not yet been announced.

When H.E. Senhor Maia Magalhães comes here, a tea daisant may be given at the Club Lusitano in his honour, although nothing definite has yet been arranged.

H.E. Senhor Maia Magalhães is leaving on August 3 on board the Dollar Line President Van Buren.

According to the vernacular papers, His Excellency will be the recipient, prior to his departure, of addresses and presentations, by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Macao and by the Rang Woo Hospital (the leading Chinese philanthropic institution).

## THE WEATHER.

LOCAL PROPHET PREDICTS  
THUNDERSTORMS.

TOO HOT TO LAST.

Thunderstorms in a day or two are predicted by the amateur weather prophet who yesterday forecasted a typhoon for the coming week-end.

He told the "China Mail" that the present weather was "much too hot and close to last" and that the turn had to come in a thunderstorm with accompanying showers.

Although, he points out, the barometer (at sea-level) has been steady round 29.64, he sees nothing to cause him to change his opinion that the signals will be up by Saturday.

Official Forecast.

Till noon to-morrow, the official forecast for Hongkong, the coast, and Formosa Channel is:—Moderate south winds; overcast, occasional rain.

At 10.38 a.m. to-day the Royal Observatory reported:—Pressure changes are slight since yesterday. The depression now covers the whole of China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day 27 inch. Total since January 66.77 inches, against an average of 49.75 inches.

Readings at 8 a.m. to-day were: Barometer 29.77, temperature 81, humidity 87, wind S.W. force 2, overcast.

## REFLOATED.

LOK MA CHAU POLICE  
BOAT.

FITTINGS INTACT.

The Lok Ma Chau police motor boat, the grounding of which led to the detention in Chinese territory of police officers who were subsequently released was floated yesterday morning on a flood tide.

The boat came off easily and it was found that no damage had been sustained. All the fittings were in order, the strike pickets having apparently been considerate enough to post a guard over the boat to prevent pilfering.

Owing to the flood and other causes, there were very few summons for traffic offences at the Central Magistracy this morning. Those dealt with concerned minor breaches of the regulations.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, today was 2/2 7/16.

## COAL CRISIS.

PLEA FOR PEACEABLE  
SETTLEMENT.

STARTLING CONCESSION.

Rugby, July 26.  
Mr. D. Lloyd George, the Liberal leader, this afternoon in the House of Commons called attention to the present position of the disastrous struggle in the coal fields. He said that he did so at this stage for two reasons. The first was that the House would be separating in a few days, and the second was that the opportunity had come again for a peaceable and honourable settlement.

He referred to the intervention of representatives of the churches. He admitted that the clergy were not equipped by training or temperament to express an opinion on questions of wages and business arrangements, but when there was strife in the nation they were entitled to intervene to put in a plea for conciliation and agreement.

In reply to the churches the Miners' Federation had made a definite and clear proposition that the Coal Commissioners should be re-appointed to work out in detail the proposals made in their report regarding reconstruction and wages. That implied the acceptance of the Coal Commission's report by the Miners' Federation.

A new and remarkable proposal was also contained in a document which had been accepted by Messrs. Smith and Cook on behalf of the Miners' Federation, in which it was stated that if disagreement should still persist at the end of a definite period of negotiations a joint Board, consisting of representatives of both parties, should appoint an independent Chairman, whose award in the settlement of this disagreement should be accepted by both parties.

That was a startling concession and he (Mr. Lloyd George) thought that it would be a grave disaster if this opportunity were thrown away. He declared that if the miners were driven by necessity to accept the alternative of the longer hours permitted by the Government's Bill, there might be temporary relief but there would be permanent mischief.

Government's Case.

The Prime Minister (the Rt. Hon. S. Baldwin), in reply, said that in the foreground of the proposals was the suggestion that there should be an immediate resumption of work on the conditions obtaining before the stoppage, and that for a period not exceeding four months the Government would give financial assistance. When he declared that the Government could not give a subsidy the representatives of the churches suggested a loan. The Government could not undertake a loan because

The first of a series of Musical Articles will appear in to-morrow's issue of the "China Mail." These articles are specially written for the "Mail" by Marcato, a musical writer of no mean ability and well known in Hongkong musical circles.

the coal industry consisted of a number of various concerns of different size, each being a financial unit, and it seemed impossible to find one body which could borrow or give security unless the Government were brought directly into it. Moreover, such a loan would mortgage the future of the industry, which was at present uneconomic over large areas.

Offer That Failed.

In regard to the proposed re-appointment of the Coal Commissioners to work out the details of their report Mr. Baldwin said that the Government had offered to give effect to all the recommendations of the report—distasteful as some of them were to the Government—if thereby it could secure peace. That offer failed. In spite of this the Government had introduced a Bill which would become law in a few days, giving effect to every one of the Commission's recommendations requiring legislative action, except two which could not

## CONSTABLE'S LAPSE.

WANTS HIS DISMISSAL  
SOON.

ALWAYS SLEEPING.

"This is the third time the defendant has been caught sleeping while on duty," said Mr. D. Burlingham (D.S.P.) in charging a Chinese constable before the Kowloon Magistrate this morning. Continuing, he said that defendant wilfully did so in order to get his dismissal from the force, but a term in jail, Mr. Burlingham thought, would serve as a warning to the others.

Defendant was found by another constable asleep under a verandah at Nathan Road.

The Magistrate imposed sentence of three weeks' hard labour.

## JUNK PIRACY.

ALLEGED MISSING MAN  
FOUND.

RECENT CASE RECALLED.

Three Chinese were recently committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions on a charge of being concerned in the piracy of a fishing junk near Lantau Island on May 20 when evidence was given that there was another man who had not been arrested.

The case was one in which a small boy, stated to be the only survivor, gave evidence of two women on the junk being thrown overboard by the gang.

Chief Detective Inspector Murphy brought a fisherman, alleged to be the wanted man, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning and asked for a formal remand for further investigation. This was granted for a week.

conceivably make the slightest difference to the existing situation.

Both parties in the dispute might have co-operated with the Government in helping to frame the action to be taken on the recommendations of the report, but they had refused. "It was therefore a little hard on the Government that it should be blamed for having fallen short in any way in interpreting the Coal Commission's recommendations. It was a little difficult to understand why a new subsidy should now be required in order that detailed schemes of reorganisation should be worked out.

Arbitration Tribunal.

Negotiations could be started proceeded the Prime Minister. There was nothing to stop them. He knew the importance that was attached to reorganisation, although he had uttered a caveat on that subject, but he did not see why an arbitration tribunal should not begin by making up its mind what would be the probable effect on the economic position of the industry of the various reorganisation proposals included in the Government's Bill and of the work of the various Committees which had been set up. The tribunal could satisfy itself on these points before going on to reach conclusions as to wages and hours. A policy of that kind seemed to him to be well adapted to bring about a reasonable and equitable settlement. If the two parties were to come together to negotiate or for arbitration the Government would do all in its power to help.

A Bludgeon.

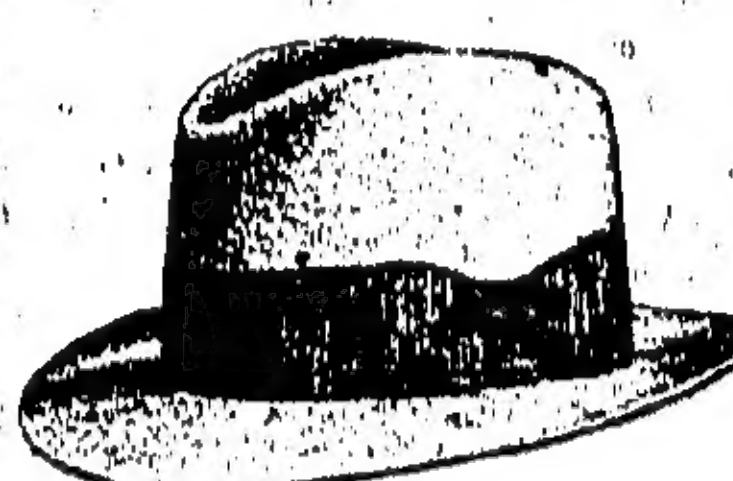
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Labour Leader, asked what was the use of the Prime Minister going to the miners and asking them to negotiate when he had put a bludgeon into the hands of the owners by forcing an Eight-Hours Act upon the miners? The Prime Minister's speech meant nothing, and was no contribution to the immediate difficulties. The Prime Minister could go on appointing his Committees and making investigations. But that was not going to take one second off this terrible dispute. He agreed with the suggestion of the churches that there should be an interregnum during which the work was being done. He did not see how it was to be avoided, and he did not see how it was going to be obtained, unless there was some financial assistance from the Government.—British Wireless Service.

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## COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

## DEVELOPMENT CO.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING  
POSTPONED.

Mr. Raymond.

On reference to the office of the Hongkong Development, Building & Savings Society Ltd., this morning, the "China Mail" was informed that the extraordinary meeting fixed for tomorrow is to be held at the City Hall at 3 p.m. on August 4, Wednesday (a week later).

The former date was decided by the meeting on July 21, when the question of voluntary liquidation was brought up and July 28 chosen as the date of the confirmatory meeting.

In connection with the Development Co., Mr. Edward M. Raymond, partner in the stockbroking firm of Messrs. Moxon & Taylor, announced that his name is not to be confused with that of any other of the company as he has never been secretary or director. (Note: The Co.'s advertisements have appeared over the name of Mr. E. B. Raymond, secretary.)

## CHINESE BONDS.

Why They Have Fallen.

The fall in the value of Chinese bonds, though due primarily to general uneasiness as to the course of events in this country, is also attributable to the possibility that there may soon be an addition to the number of Chinese loans quoted on the London Stock Exchange, states a Home paper. The Financial News reported recently that there had been placed privately in London about £1,000,000 of the 1925 5 per cent. gold dollar bonds, and it is understood that those responsible have applied to the committee of the Stock Exchange for permission to deal. The amount placed in London is approximately one-tenth of the total outstanding. The bonds are quoted on the Paris Stock Exchange, and stand at present at £120 for the \$50 bonds. Interest is payable on January 15 and July 15, the redemption price being \$55.

This is in no way a fresh debt charge, for the stock owes its origin to the capitalisation of a part of the Boxer indemnity on the collapse of the Banque Industrielle de Chine. The issue is secured upon the Maritime Customs, and it ranks after the 4½ per cent. Loan of 1898. It is understood that these bonds have been placed at a price to yield 5 per cent.

Writing from Northumberland House, Richmond, Mr. G. Lindsay-Holt endeavours to "allay the nervousness of holders of Chinese loans. He says: The first three loans secured on the Customs require £2,599,965 annually for interest and sinking fund as follows:

Charges for 1923.

The Customs last year produced £10,516,687, and as these are collected at the ports and administered by European officials who meet the service of the loans and hand the balance annually to the Chinese Government, they should be perfectly secured as one cannot imagine the Powers being turned out of China.

## LYALL AND EVATT'S REPORT

Singapore, July 14.—The mining section has again come in for good support and with the metal quotation very steady, share values in most issues have improved further; London and Australian dredging attracting a lot of attention. The rubber section has been very quiet with, however, steady prices ruling, anticipatory of a 20 per cent. cut in restriction and the proximity of the heavy buying season. An average price of 1s. 8d. until the end of the month would ensure the restriction cut. Industrials have few alterations in a quiet market. Loans have been offering rather more freely, but all were placed at quotations.

Rubbers.—Allenbys are wanted at 3.40 and Alor Gajahs at 3.15 cum. Ayer Panas can be placed at 14.20 cum, sellers 14.40, and Changkat Serdangs made 10.20. Conemarras are steady round 3.25. Kedahs at 4.60 and Malakoffs at 4.95 ex. Jerams are unchanged at 1.95 2. New Scudals made 3.42½ with further enquiries and United Malaccas and



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HAROLD T. GREASY,  
Water Authority,  
Public Works Department,  
Hongkong, 21st July, 1926.

**NOTICE OF REMOVAL.**

FROM the 26th July, 1926, our New Address will be  
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**AT THE STAR.**

TWO GOOD PICTURES  
TO-DAY.

The programme at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow will be remarkable for the inclusion of two pictures — "Sherry" and "Black Beauty."

Both are stirring features and have been selected with a view to maintaining the balance between pictures of varying types, for it must be remembered that the whole success of the continuous performance house is to cater to a permanent audience through its appeal to the mass.

**AT THE QUEEN'S.**

"WILD JUSTICE."

This film, which is to be shown at the Queen's Theatre to-day and to-morrow, introduces a new canine star to Hongkong audiences. This is "Peter the Great." He "does his stuff" with an ease and naturalness that is little short of marvellous, and all dog lovers will give the picture a hearty welcome. The story concerns the murder of the dog's master by the villainous Blake. A certain Doctor suspects Blake and with the dead man's niece endeavours to make out the case against him. Meanwhile the dog is always on Blake's trail and Blake makes many attempts to destroy this nemesis. Eventually the dog corners him and forces him over a cliff. One

**LIFE UNBEARABLE.**

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The plight of a Russian woman, who was arrested after she had attempted to commit suicide, was revealed in the Mixed Court, Shanghai, on July 15. The woman is at present in hospital where she was taken after being rescued from the river, into which she jumped from the Peking Road jetty, and she did not appear in answer to the charge.

P. C. S. Gash informed the Court that the woman had been employed, according to her own statement, at 90 Route Vallon, and for this she received \$20 per month. She lived at 134 Rue de Lieutenant Petiot, had no family or relatives and, being unable to live on the money she earned, had decided to commit suicide. She was prevented from doing this as the result of a telephone message which the police received in time to save the woman from drowning.

Witness informed the Court that a lady at 90 Ellis Road had offered the accused a home and agreed to give her \$20 per month in return for small service.

The Court decided to remand the case in order to see if employment could be found for her.

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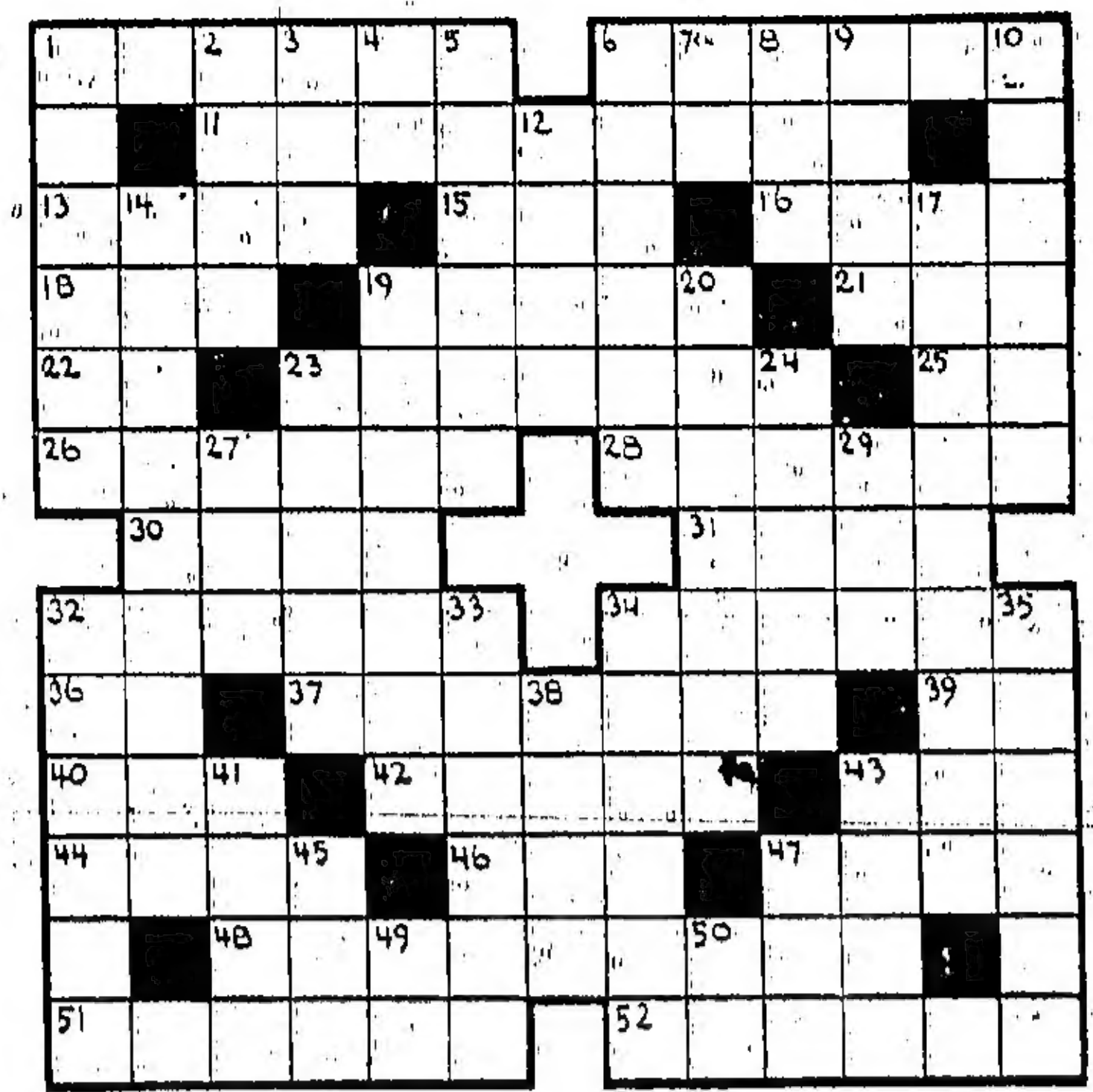
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**OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.**

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



**HORIZONTAL**  
1-Fit for farming  
2-An armed company  
3-Proposed up  
4-Victim  
5-Eccentric rotating place  
6-Steals  
7-Permit  
8-Garden implement (pl.)  
9-To sleep  
10-Each (abbr.)  
11-Repairs  
12-Point of compass (abbr.)  
13-A turn  
14-Surmounted  
15-Small island  
16-Linger  
17-Horace  
18-Proof reader's sign  
19-Tried  
20-American Institute (abbr.)  
21-Size  
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19-Extra  
20-Custom  
21-American desert  
22-Martin's name  
23-To boll  
24-Second personal singular of "I sing"  
25-Silence  
26-Protestant (abbr.)  
27-A direction  
28-Long handled paddles  
29-Perch  
30-Tiny  
31-Grand Lodge (abbr.)  
32-Interrogatory exclamation  
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**SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES.**  
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

# THE OVERLAND CHINA MAIL

We sincerely regret that the many who tried to obtain copies of last week's "OVERLAND CHINA MAIL" had to be disappointed as the issue was sold out immediately.

**THIS WEEK'S ISSUE CONTAINS:**

THE WHOLE DESCRIPTION OF THE DELUGE, TOGETHER WITH FURTHER PHOTOGRAPHS, ALSO REPORTS OF THE TYPHOON.

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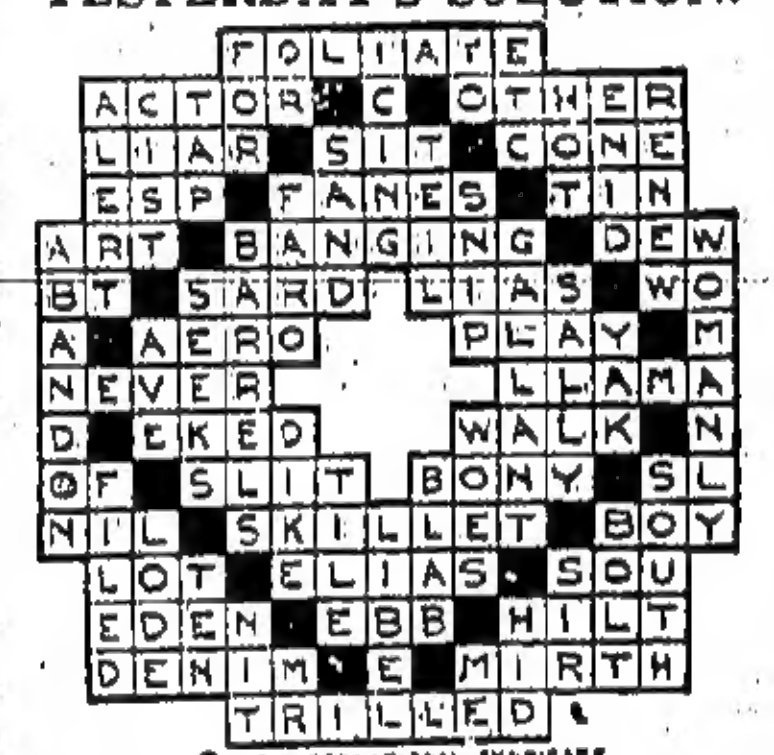
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MANILA MARU Wednesday, 28th July.  
MONTEVIDEO MARU Friday 3rd September.  
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.  
BORNEO MARU Wednesday, 4th August.  
HAMBURG MARU Thursday, 19th August.  
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Hongkong.  
SANKU MARU Wednesday, 26th August.  
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.  
SEKKOW MARU Saturday, 31st July.  
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.  
AFRICA MARU (From Shanghai) Wednesday 18th August.  
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.  
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.  
HAYRE MARU (From Kueilung) Monday, 2nd August.  
JAPAN PORTS  
SUMATRA MARU Friday, 18th August.  
ALASKA MARU Thursday, 19th August.  
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.  
HONGKONG MARU Tuesday, 24th August.  
KAIJO MARU Sunday, 1st August Noon.  
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.  
KOTSU MARU Sunday, 28th July 10 a.m.  
TAKAO and KEELUNG.  
GANGES MARU Wednesday, 26th August.  
DAIREN via CHEFOO and TSINGTAO.  
KINZAN MARU Monday, 23rd August.  
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**LOCAL SHIPPING.**

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND CLEARANCES.

**THE MORNING LIST.**

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals at Hongkong were reported:-

Kwongsang (1428) Br. from Shanghai, Foochow; J. M. &amp; Co.

Hector (6,841) Br. from Taku Bar, Shanghai; B. &amp; S.

Sunning (1,570) Br. from Penang, Hoihow; Kuen Sang.

Halyang (1,363) Br. from Penang, Hoihow; Kuen Sang.

Hanoi (739) Fr. from Haiphong, Ft. Bayard; M.M.

Van Cloon (2,863) Du. from Belawan, Singapore; J. C.J.L.

Zosma (5,335) Du. from Antwerp, Manila; J.C.J.L.

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## BIRTH.

DUNCAN.—On July 18, 1926, at  
144A, North Szechuen Road  
Extension, Shanghai, to Mr.  
and Mrs. W. A. Duncan, a  
son.

## DEATHS.

ANDERSON.—On July 26, 1926, at  
sea, J. M. Anderson, Master  
Mariner, aged 50 years. Buried  
at Amoy.

BERDOULET.—On July 21, 1926,  
at the Isolation Hospital,  
Shanghai, Joseph Berdoulet,  
late of Messrs. Harvie, Cooke  
& Co., aged 32 years.

BRIGOLA.—On July 21, 1926, at  
5 Singapore Road, Shanghai,  
Antonietta, the beloved daughter  
of Mr. and Mrs. C. Brigola,  
aged 2 years and 8 months.

HAY.—On July 24, 1926, Charles  
William Hay, of Ashurst Wood  
House, East Grinstead (late of  
Shanghai), aged 84.

PICKERING.—On July 21, 1926, at  
the Country Hospital, Shanghai,  
Harry E. S. Pickering, aged  
39.

SCOTT.—On June 23, 1926, in  
London, following an operation,  
William Murray Scott, of  
Wakehills, Haslemere, Surrey,  
late of Hongkong, aged 56.

Hongkong, Tuesday, July 27, 1926.

## A LOCAL ELECTION.

It would be painting the lily or trying to improve the perfume of the rose to do other than express our pleasure at the election of Dr. Koch by his fellow-unofficial Justices of the Peace to the Legislative Council. That he can and will do much in the interests of public health goes without saying. We can safely leave it at that. At the same time, the good work of Mr. Alabaster, the defeated candidate, on previous occasions on which he has been on the Council cannot be ignored.

What is equally pleasing is the fact that out of 105 unofficial Justices of the Peace in the Colony at present no fewer than 91 thought it worth while to go to the Registrar's Office in the Supreme Court and record their votes. A higher percentage could not well be obtained were voting to be compulsory, as it is now—adays for the Federal Parliament in Australia. It is evidence of a fine civic spirit that is very helpful and stimulating. Taken along with the recent record invasion of the polling booth at a Sanitary Board election it shows that the interest of the community in the affairs of their own legislative

bodies is much greater than many may have supposed.

Without seeking to diminish the victory of Dr. Koch in the slightest way it must be said that a contested election to fill the place of a member of the Legislative Council for only six months seems farcical. Sir Henry Pollock's term of office would not have expired until January, 1928. Could it not have been possible for him to have obtained leave of absence for that very short period without the time of Government officials being wasted by the election of a successor pending his return? Even had no one been called upon to fill the breach until his return the heavens would not have fallen nor the Colony come to an untimely end in the brief space of six months. The unofficial Justices of the Peace would hardly be likely to feel that they had been deprived of a representative on the Council; and, even if they did, by the time they had raised a "stir" and by the time the Government got a "move on" in the way of the election formalities, Sir Henry Pollock would have been back in our midst. As it is, will Dr. Koch hold the seat for exactly twenty-four weeks and then resign in favour of Sir Henry Pollock? That does not seem either right or logical. Still, it is the precious "system" here.

There is further evidence that our electoral laws require to be recast. During the counting of the votes at yesterday's election neither the candidates nor their representatives, and not even the Press, were permitted to be in the room. Why? Would they have interfered in the slightest way with the counting of 91 votes? Could they have influenced one vote after it had already been cast? Could they have spirited away one ballot paper? Surely the shutting out of the two candidates and the Press must be put down as an "error of judgment." It is usual elsewhere for candidates and their scrutineers, besides the Press, to be present during the counting of votes at an election. This system works well. It is proof against any hole-and-corner methods. Why it was not followed at yesterday's election is a mystery that requires an explanation. When will the Government realise that its methods are years behind the times?

## TO BE CONFISCATED.

A haul of 340 tacks of opium, approximate value \$4,080, was mentioned by Sergeant Carson when he applied before Mr. J. H. B. Ninn at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for the drug to be confiscated.

Officers on the vessel found the opium concealed in the bunkers and called in the police. No arrests were made.

The Magistrate made an order accordingly.

## FEW CHILDREN ESCAPE IT.

STOMACH aches, so inseparable from the years of childhood, can become serious bowel disorder if not promptly quieted. Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy is safe and dependable for both children and grown people. It immediately relieves severe intestinal pain and stops weakening diarrhoea. For sale everywhere.

## CAFE INCIDENT.

PARTIES FINED AND BOUND OVER.

MORE SUMMONSES.

The Cafe Parloren case was brought to a close at the Central Magistracy yesterday when both Mr. L. G. Taylor and Mr. J. L. Durand were fined and bound over to keep the peace.

During the cross-examination of Mr. Durand by Mr. Taylor who conducted his own case, an objection was raised by Mr. Hugh Jones (Mr. Durand's solicitor) on the ground that if anyone had the right to cross-examine it was Mrs. Taylor. Mr. Lindsell considered that although it was not regular, Mr. Taylor should continue to cross-examine.

Mr. Durand, who denied using abusive language and striking Mrs. Taylor or the police, answered as follows in cross-examination:—

Mr. Taylor: Have you ever had your face slapped by a lady before?—No, never.

Have you ever employed any English people before?—I don't think so.

Have you employed three in the past ten days?—I employ fifty boys.

Mr. Lindsell: Please answer the question.

Mr. Taylor: Have you employed myself, my wife and Mr. Geoffrey?—I don't know anything about Mr. Geoffrey.

What exactly is your position in the cafe? Are you a co-partner?—Yes.

And what Madame Flint does you stand by, added Mr. Taylor.

My wife and I are not working for you now?—You left without notice.

Is Mr. Geoffrey working for the cafe?—I don't know.

I suggest that your evidence, with one or two exceptions, is a tissue of lies?—I don't agree.

## Further Summonses.

In the early part of the cross-examination when Mr. Taylor asked for permission to put a question regarding his successor, Mr. Lindsell explained that he had signed summonses which concerned Mr. Taylor's successor against Madame Flint, for abusive language and insult, which he said would be heard by the Second Magistrate.

In evidence, Madame Flint said she had considerable cause for dissatisfaction with Mr. and Mrs. Taylor. At tiffin one day witness suggested that Mr. Taylor should have a rest. He was drunk on that occasion. Witness also said she objected to Mrs. Taylor attending at the service bar. She admitted employing Mr. Geoffrey, and said she had no references from Shanghai about Mr. Taylor.

A Cafe "boy" who was called said that Mr. and Mrs. Taylor started drinking shortly after nine in the morning, and during the day he served them many drinks. Mr. Taylor had drinks from his own bottles and also drinks from other bottles.

## Case for the Defence.

In reviewing the case, Mr. Hugh Jones submitted that the proceedings were purely vindictive, and were perhaps brought as a preliminary to the action now pending in another court. He added that they were brought knowing the charges were absolutely false.

On the summons for abusive language, Mr. Hugh Jones said there was no corroborative evidence. His Worship agreed and dismissed that summons.

Dealing with the police summons against Mr. Durand, he submitted there was no evidence and asked for that to be dismissed. It was quite possible that Mr. Durand would struggle with anyone in the street in his excited condition, and if he did strike the police officer, it was not an act of his own volition. His Worship held otherwise and said he would convict.

Mr. Hugh Jones then came to the kicking incident which had caused all the trouble, this being the summons taken out by Mrs. Taylor. He pointed out that Madame Landau was standing near and such an incident would be firmly fixed in her memory. There was no suggestion of any other assault, and he thought it was an entire fabrication.

## "Satisfied."

Mr. Lindsell said he was satisfied that Mr. Durand did kick Mrs. Taylor, and that he used bad language to her. He would be bound over in a personal bond of \$100 to keep the peace for twelve months for the bad language, and fined \$50 for kicking Mrs. Taylor. He would be fined a further \$50 for striking the police.

On the original charge, Mr. Taylor would be fined \$5, and would be bound over to keep the peace for twelve months in a personal bond of \$100.

## COUNCIL VACANCY.

DR. KOCH SUCCESSFUL AT ELECTION.

A HEAVY POLL.

Yesterday's election by the unofficial J.P.s for a representative on the Legislative Council resulted in a majority of 47 for Dr. W. V. M. Koch who will therefore sit on the Council during the absence of Sir Henry Pollock, K. C. Ninety-one of the unofficial J.P.s registered their vote, a high percentage considering that there are about 195 at present in the Colony.

The actual figures were: Dr. W. V. M. Koch, 69; Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K. C., 22. The returning officers were Mr. R. E. Lindsell and Major C. W. Willson.

Mr. Alabaster heartily congratulated his successful opponent.

With regard to the conduct of the poll it is worthy of note, as indicating the failure of the local authorities to keep abreast of the times in such matters, that neither the candidates, their seconders nor the Press were allowed to be present at the opening of the ballot-box and counting of the votes.

## SECRETED ARTICLE.

PROF. LANGSNER'S SUCCESSFUL QUEST.

YESTERDAY'S SCENES.

Professor Maximilian Langsner yesterday succeeded in finding an unknown article hidden in an unknown spot by three people unknown to him. Throughout the search he held the hand of Mr. D. H. Cameron, one of those who had secreted the article, and with bowed head appeared to be concentrating deeply.

Their passage by foot from Wyndham Street along Queen's Road, past the City Hall to the Hongkong Club where the hidden article (a fountain pen) was found underneath a pedestal outside the Club offices, aroused considerable interest. Professor Langsner would sometimes pause and then resume his quest at considerable speed almost dragging the "medium" for his telepathetic observation with him.

It should be mentioned that whilst the article was being secreted, both Professor Langsner and his secretary were under observation elsewhere.

## SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE.



Dr. W. V. M. Koch, who has been elected to serve on the Legislative Council as the representative of the unofficial Justices of the Peace of Hongkong.

## A CRUEL WOMAN.

PLUCKED FEATHERS FROM A LIVE BIRD.

NOW SHE KNOWS.

A pigeon partly bereft of its feathers was an exhibit at the Central Magistracy this morning when a Chinese woman was charged with cruelty to the bird. The woman had been caught by an Indian constable while she was in the act of plucking the feathers. Pleading guilty to the charge, the woman said she was a new-comer to the Colony and therefore not conversant with the customs. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$50, or four weeks' hard labour.

## STRAITS FINANCE.

INCREASED EXPENDITURE REPORTED.

Of the \$54,314,078 total expenditure of the Straits Settlements in 1925 \$5,142,549 was expended on Public Works Extraordinary. In 1918 out of a total expenditure of \$8,687,204 the sum of \$485,257 went towards Public Works Extraordinary. The difference of 45½ millions between expenditure in these two years is mainly accounted for by the following increases:—Personal Emoluments 6½ millions and Public Works Extraordinary 4½ millions, while Contributions to Rural Boards and Hospitals have increased by more than three quarters of a million dollars. The special contribution to the Opium Revenue Reserve Replacement Fund amounted to 30 millions.

Shortly after 9 p.m. yesterday, a Chinese boy in attempting to cross the road near Queen's Pier, was struck down by a passing taxicab. The boy was injured and had to be taken to hospital.

## Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

## Entertainments.

July 27—Queen's Theatre: Peter the Great in "Wild Justice." July 27—Star Theatre: "Sherry," "Black Beauty."

July 27—World Theatre: "Trainer & Temptress."

July 27—Demonstrations on Mental Telegraphy, Magnetism, Auto-suggestion and Hypnotism at the City Hall, by the eminent Psychologist, Prof. Langsner, M.L.L.C. at 9.18 p.m.

August 6—Band night at Volunteer Headquarters, 9 p.m.

July 28—Angling Club Competition. Launch leaves Black Pier, 7 p.m.

## Auctions.

July 28—At No. 8, Middle Road, Kowloon, a quantity of valuable household furniture, 2.45 p.m.

July 28—Miscellaneous goods at Lammert's sales room, Duddell St., 11 a.m.

July 30—At Messrs. Lammert's sales room, a valuable collection of postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

August 3—Public Auction of valuable leasehold properties (155 and 157 Queen's Road West), by Mr. A. G. da Rocha, auctioneer, at his sales room, 3 p.m.

## Meetings.

August 4—Meeting of creditors of the Oriental Commercial Bank, Ltd., at 25, Des Voeux Road, Central, 3 p.m.

August 9—General meeting of Luen Mow S.S. Co., Ltd., 65, Connaught Road, Central, 2 p.m.

Too few parents are on spanking terms with their children.

Why is it a man can't try to wax the floors himself without his wife waxing sarcastic?



**INTOLERANCE.**DISTRESSFUL STATE OF  
CATHOLICS.

PRAYERS FOR MEXICO.

New York, July 26. Interest in the distressful state of Catholics in Mexico is becoming general in the United States where His Holiness the Pope has called on all Catholics to offer prayers on his behalf.

It is reported from Mexico that the Mexican Department of the Interior has ordered an investigation following the publication of the pastoral letter signed by the Archbishop of Mexico, seven other Archbishops, and 72 Bishops proposing the suspension of services and the withdrawal of all priests from the churches on July 31.

The letter implies that the President of Mexico made other



PRESIDENT CALLES.

responsible officials may be communicated. It strongly protests against the new religious regulations as interfering with constitutional rights.

The Mexican Department of the Interior intends to determine whether the letter violates the Constitution. If so, the Attorney-General may summon the signatories to court or order their arrest. —Reuter.

**PHILIPPINE WOODS.**USE OF "MAHOGANY" AS  
TRADE NAME.

TERM IS MISLEADING.

Washington, July 26. — The Philippines have lost their fight with mahogany importers of the United States to continue calling narra, tanguile and other hard woods by the trade name "Philippine mahogany." The Federal Trade Commission to-day ordered dealers in these Philippine woods "to cease misrepresenting" their product by selling it as genuine mahogany.

The desist order was directed particularly against three defendant firms, the Indiana Quarter Sawn Oak Company of New York, the Jones Hardware Company of San Francisco and the Thomas Power Company of St. Louis, but all dealers will be affected by the decision in this, the accepted test case.

Major Frank Munson, army judge-advocate, led the legal counsel in the case on the request of Governor-General Wood of the Philippine Islands. As the use of the term "Philippine mahogany" is general in lumber trade circles and is used as the base of acceptance of Philippine hard woods by dealers, it is understood, that Major Munson will appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals against the decision of the Federal Trade Commission. —United Press.

Washington, July 26. — The Indiana Quarter Sawn Oak Company, of New York, the Jones Hardware Company, of San Francisco, and the Thomas Power Lumber Company, of St. Louis have been ordered by the Federal Trade Commission to desist using the words "Philippine mahogany" in application to woods which are not genuine mahogany "as is generally understood by dealers and purchasing public."

The ruling of the commission declared such wood that has been imported as "Philippine mahogany" is much more porous than genuine mahogany and that while it may be feasible to simulate genuine mahogany still "with time and wear it shrinks into pores and consequently presents a much inferior appearance."

Commissioner Humphrey dissented from the ruling and said that the real milk in the coconut was that "Philippine mahogany" was coming into the United States duty free and was becoming a serious competitor of the Mahogany Association which was the only objector to the use of the term "Philippine mahogany." —Associated Press.

Some people will sit around home without saying a word and then go to the movies and start talking.

**TEA DRINKING.**PROPAGANDA BY INDIAN  
COMMITTEE.

GRANT INCREASED.

Cuttack, July 26. The Tea Cess Committee, which is responsible for advertising and stimulating the habit of drinking Indian tea, at the half-yearly meeting disclosed that 50,000,000 lb. of tea was produced in India this season compared with 48,500,000 lb. last season.

The Chairman recommended that the grant for propaganda purposes in the United States be increased from £35,000 to £40,000 for the current year. —Reuter.

**PHILIPPINE RUBBER.**PRESENT RESTRICTIONS ON  
LAND WISE.

FILIPINOS JUSTIFIED.

New York, July 19. — A "New York World" editorial says that the present restrictions on the ownership of land in the Philippines are wise and that any movement to change the land laws should be started in the Philippines and not in the United States.

"The Filipinos are justified," says the "World," "in showing suspicion toward the initial scheme to set aside 1,000,000 acres for the development of rubber by American capital." The present restrictions are wise.

Sugar Interests Again.

"Americans as well as Filipinos should recall the depth of resentment engendered in the Spanish days by the great estates of the friars with their ill-conditioned and utterly dependent tenantry. We ought to remember the obstacles to Porto Rican well being in huge American-controlled sugar estates."

"Whatever action is taken with reference to the land laws, should be through the Philippine legislature and not the American Congress. The Bacon Bill for separating the Moro islands from the rest of the archipelago, would have overridden the Philippine land laws in the interest of American corporations."

"Our boasts of altruism and democracy are worth little unless we allow the islanders to make the decision. They are better fitted to weigh the practical problems. American capital may lay plans but Filipinos should have the final word."

Old Economic View.

The "New York Times" prints an editorial upholding the view that the problem in the Philippines is more economic than political and that the political situation could be considerably improved by injecting it with a new spirit of economic development.

"The granting of independence," says the "Times," "will not be determined by offers of special concessions to American business men but by the preparedness of the Filipinos to govern themselves. If Colonel Thompson can bring back a constructive plan for the economic development of the islands, it will do much to improve political conditions."

"In the final analysis, the success of the politicians will be determined by the degree of economic growth attained by the Filipinos rather than the brilliance of their rhetoric." —United Press.

**MANILA NEWS.**SPECIAL WRITERS SAID TO  
BE INSPIRED.

JUDGE SANTOS'S OPINION.

Washington, July 26. — The bulk of the news stories emanating from Manila by special correspondents are branded as "having all the earmarks of being inspired" by Judge Jose Abad Santos, head of the Educational Mission, who is now exercising general supervision over the Philippine Press Bureau in Washington. Judge Santos told the United Press to-day that the leading argument the anti-independence forces are preparing will be that "economic independence must precede political independence."

Judge Santos declared that Vice-Governor Gilmore sounded the key note when he said that political independence without first achieving economic freedom would mean that the Filipinos would be "all dressed up and no place to go."

In one way or another all reports from Manila revolve about this dictum, Judge Santos maintained, continuing: "No matter how earnestly entertained, such a notion must not go unchallenged. This doctrine of economic independence first is logically fallacious and morally monstrous." —United Press.

**"MA" FERGUSON.**WOMAN GOVERNOR'S DEFEAT  
PROBABLE.

"PRIMARY" TEST.

Austin (Texas), July 26. It is expected that "Ma" Ferguson, the Governor of Texas,



MA FERGUSON.

will be eclipsed, judging by the results of Saturday's primary election, in which she ran for re-nomination.

Her chief opponent, the District Attorney, Mr. Dan Moody,



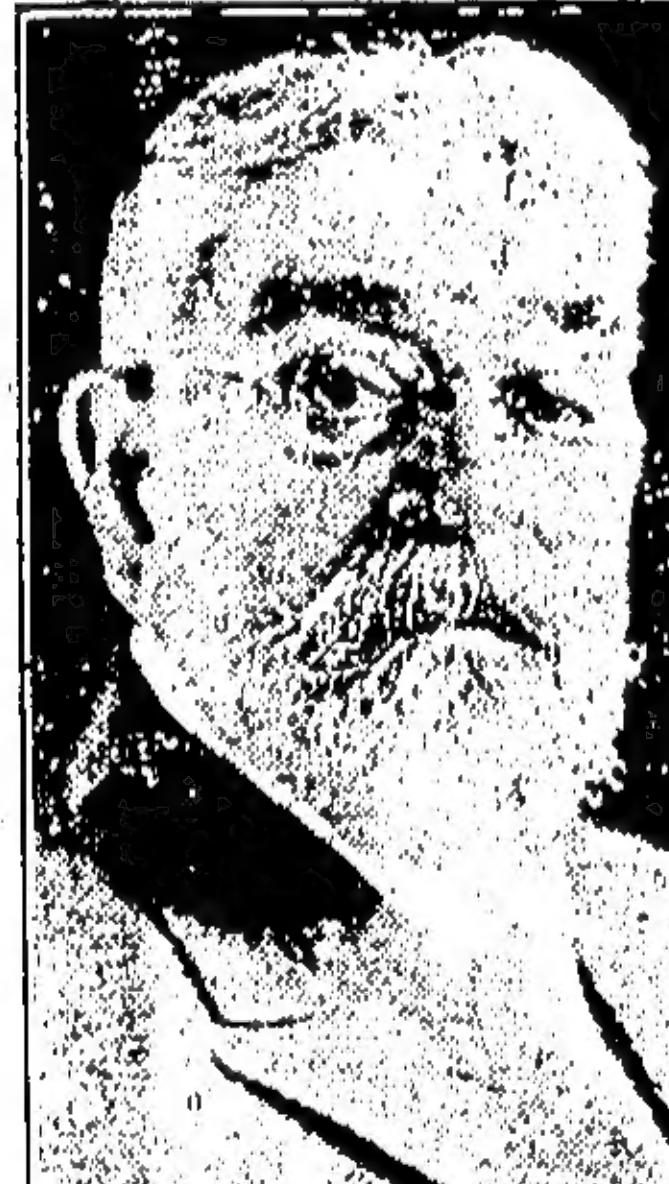
DAN MOODY.

now leads by over 100,000 votes. —Reuter.

**EX-DIPLOMAT DEAD.**MR. ROBERT TODD  
LINCOLN.

AN OCTOGENARIAN.

Manchester (Vermont), July 26. The death is announced of Mr. Robert Todd Lincoln, ex-Ambassador to Great Britain and a former Secretary of War. —Reuter.



Mr. Robert Todd Lincoln was born on August 1, 1843, being the eldest son of President Abraham Lincoln. He entered Harvard Law School, but left to enter the Army, serving until the end of the war as Captain on the Staff of General Grant. He was admitted to the Illinois Bar in 1867. He was Secretary of War in the Cabinets of Presidents Garfield and Arthur, 1881-5; Minister to Great Britain, 1889-93; and was later President of the Pullman Company and a Director of the Commonwealth Edison Company and the Continental and Commercial National Bank.

**'QUAKE SHOCK.**FELT IN PHILIPPINE  
ISLAND.

Manila, July 26. An earthquake of considerable intensity occurred at Ilocos North at 7-7 on Sunday evening. —Reuter.

**HOT WEATHER DISEASES.**

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**POISONED.**DEATHS FROM WOOD  
ALCOHOL.

CANADIAN SENSATION.

Toronto, July 26. Fourteen deaths occurred in Ontario at the week-end from Alcoholic poisoning, and four cases admitted to hospital, including two sixteen-year-old girls.

The Police are investigating other sudden deaths in West Ontario.

Indications point to the importation of poisonous liquor through Buffalo, where deaths have occurred under similar circumstances.

It is reported from Buffalo that the shops of twenty soft drink retailers have closed following the deaths of thirteen of their patrons owing to wood alcohol poisoning.

The Police are of opinion that sixteen of the recent deaths in Toronto and other Canadian towns were due to drinking liquor smuggled across the frontier from Buffalo. The Police are co-operating with the Canadian officials in an attempt to locate the manufacturers. —Reuter.

**DISARMAMENT.**NOT SATISFACTORY IN  
GERMANY.

BRITAIN DISAPPOINTED.

Rugby, July 26. Replying to a question in the House of Commons as to whether the Government regarded the condition of disarmament in Germany as satisfactory or unsatisfactory, the Rt. Hon. G. Locker-Lampson, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that it was the hope of the Government last November that the exchange of Notes, which took place between the Ambassador's Conference and the German Government at that time, would lead to the rapid conclusion of all disarmament questions which were still outstanding. It was consequently a matter of disappointment that there were still a number of points—most of them, he was happy to say, of a minor nature—which were not yet settled.

Whilst for this reason the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs expressed the view on July 21 that the position was not entirely satisfactory, he did not desire it to be concluded that His Majesty's Government regarded the situation with any disquiet. —British Wireless Service.

**ROYAL TOUR.**DUKE AND DUCHESS  
OF YORK.

London, July 26. It is officially announced that T.R.H. the Duke and Duchess of York will visit New Zealand in 1927. —Reuter.

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**COAL CRISIS.**(Continued from Page 1.)  
IN THE LORDS.

Appeal to the Government.

London, July 26. The coal situation was discussed in both Houses of Parliament.

In the House of Lords Lord Balfour of Burleigh suggested that the Government should make a fresh effort to re-open the negotiations on the lines of the Samuel report.

In the House of Commons Mr. Lloyd George moved a reduction of the vote for the salary of the Secretary for Mines "to draw attention to the present disastrous struggle in the coal fields."

"Thanks for Nothing."

Mr. Baldwin reiterated that a subsidy was impossible beyond the three millions offered, but even now the door was open for negotiation. In connection with which the Government would do its utmost to help. The Government, however, was unable to impose a legislative settlement.

The Prime Minister's speech was greeted with Labour cries of "Thank you for nothing."

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald declared that the House and the country would have heard the Prime Minister's speech with profound dissatisfaction.

Mr. Lloyd George's motion was defeated, the division resulting:

Against	238
For	152

Majority 86.

The vote for the salary of the Minister of Mines was agreed to.

Under Secretary of State for Mines, in reply to the debate, asserted that "Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was discouraging the miners from negotiating and thus possibly making the dispute longer and more bitter." —Reuter.

**DRIFTING BACK.**

Mr. Cook Threatens to Resign.

London, July 26. Following a steady drift back of the miners to work Mr. A. J. Cook, in a speech at Walsall, announced that the Miners' Executive had decided to call a miners' delegate conference on July 30 in order to review the position. He declared that he did not desire to oppose the will of the miners, if they desired to work eight hours a day, but he would resign before he carried out their instructions to sign an agreement to that effect. —Reuter.

"Blacklegs."

London, Later. The drift back of the Warwickshire miners to work, which has been proceeding for some time, is daily being accelerated. There are now 8,000 out of a normal 20,000 working.

The situation caused Mr. Cook to abandon his engagements elsewhere and hurry to Warwickshire to urge the strikers to stop the "blacklegs."

It is reported that as a result of Mr. Cook's efforts, 1,000 miners have again struck. —Reuter.

**STRIKE ECHO.**

May Cost Country 150 Millions.

London, July 26. In the House of Commons, in reply to questions, Mr. A. M. Samuel (Board of Trade Secretariat) said he estimated that the total loss to the country since April 30 as the consequence of the general strike and the coal stoppage might reach £150,000,000. —Reuter.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## FOURTH TEST.

## TWO AUSTRALIANS GET CENTURIES.

## EXCELLENT FIELDING.

## Full Details About Second Day's Play.

Manchester, July 26. When stumps were drawn to-day (second day of the Fourth Test Match) Australia's 1st innings stood at 322 runs for 8 wickets.—Reuter.

[Note: Principal features of the day's play were:—Centuries by Macartney and Woodfull. England's excellent fielding. Four wickets by Root, three by Stevens and one by Kilner. Australia's comparatively poor showing after an excellent start.]

## THE SCORE.

Australia—1st Innings.  
W. M. Woodfull, c Hendren, b Root 117  
W. Bardsley, c Tyldesley, b Stevens 15  
C. G. Macartney, b Root 109  
T. J. E. Andrews, c Chapman, b Stevens 8  
W. M. Ponsford, c & b Kilner 23  
A. J. Richardson, c Woolley, b Stevens 0  
J. S. Ryder, c Strudwick, b Root 3  
J. M. Gregory, c Kilner, b Root 34  
W. A. Oldfield, not out 4  
C. V. Grimmett, not out 7  
Extras 7  
Total (for 8 wickets) 322

A. A. Mailey to bat.  
Runs at fall of wickets: 1st (Bardsley) 29; 2nd (Macartney) 221; 3rd (Woodfull) 252; 4th (Andrews) 256; 5th (Richardson) 257; 6th (Ryder) 266; 7th (Ponsford) 300; 8th (Gregory) 317.

Partnerships: 1st (Bardsley and Woodfull) 29; 2nd (Woodfull and Macartney) 192; 3rd (Woodfull and Andrews) 31; 4th (Andrews and Ponsford) 4; 5th (Ponsford and Richardson) 1; 6th (Ponsford and Ryder) 9; 7th (Ponsford and Gregory) 34; 8th (Gregory and Oldfield) 17; 9th (Oldfield and Grimmett, to continue) 5.

The England team (to bat):—A. W. Carr (captain, absent), Hobbs, J. B. (acting captain), G. T. S. Stevens, Sutcliffe, Strudwick, Tate, Kilner, Hendren, Woolley, Root and Tyldesley (E.). A. P. F. Chapman is 12th man.—Reuter.

Notes on the Play.  
Without their captain, England are a man short. As there is only one day left for play (to-day), it is highly improbable that England can be dismissed twice for the Australians to snatch a victory. On the other hand, there is also little prospect of England running up a big score and then skittling the visitors out.

Once more the Australians have shown their mastery over the English bowling. If the Fifth (and final) Test is to be a fight to the finish, the chances may be on the side of the Australians.

Macartney reached three figures in both the 2nd and 3rd Tests, so that this is his third century in consecutive Test matches. Woodfull was a centurion in the 3rd Test at Leeds.

It is interesting to record that Tate has not taken a wicket so far. The success of Root and Stevens will give cause for pleasure.

After Carr, Stevens is the only amateur in England's XI. Hobbs is an experienced leader, having captained the Players on many occasions against the Gentlemen, and Stevens is rather young to "don the mantle of skipper."

The full day's play (second day) is described below.—  
Skipper in Bed.  
A. W. Carr is in bed with tonsillitis. He will not play to-day. Hobbs is captain.

Later.  
Carr is slightly better and his temperature is lower but there is little likelihood of his playing to-morrow (Tuesday).

[Note: As Carr fielded on the first day, his place as a batsman cannot be substituted. A. P. F. Chapman, who stood down for Tyldesley, is fielding as sub. and his name appears in the score but this should read the stereotype "caught sub."]—  
Stevens' First Wicket.  
There were 20,000 spectators when play was about to start. The beginning was delayed till 11.30 a.m.

Hobbs was ovated when he led out the England side to take the field.  
Woodfull (0 not out) and Bardsley (5 not out) continued the Australian 1st innings. With one extra, the overnight score stood at 6 runs for no wicket.

With the addition of 23 runs to the board, Bardsley was out. Stevens taking the first wicket in his maiden Test. Bardsley made 15 (caught by Tyldesley) and Woodfull's score was 18. No other extra had been given and the total was 29.

## Deadly Bowling.

The attendance had increased to 27,000.

Against very deadly bowling, the batsmen (Woodfull and Macartney) who had relieved Bardsley were most careful. Fifth runs (i.e., 21 more after Bardsley was dismissed) were up after 75 minutes' play (including the first day, Saturday). Of this total Woodfull claimed only 14.

Root sent down 12, maiden overs.

The second wicket partnership between Woodfull and Macartney added 50 runs in 50 minutes. Woolley was the only one of the bowlers who proved expensive. Otherwise the batsmen found it difficult to score.

The 100 up was hoisted after 2 hours' play. Macartney was as brilliant as ever.

At the interval, Woodfull was 42, Macartney 49, extras 3, total 109 runs for 1 wicket.

## AFTER LUNCH.

## Root Beats Macartney.

Tea interval.

The Woodfull-Macartney partnership ultimately realised 192 runs. Before lunch, they had put on 80 between them. They added another 112 before they were separated.

The attendance increased to 34,000.

Runs came easily but the batsmen were fairly quiet. Macartney survived three appeals (two for leg-before-wicket and one for a catch at the wicket) and then reached his century when he was cheered. He passed the 100 mark after 173 minutes' batting and then slashed out.

With his score at 109, he was bowled by Root who beat him with a break back. This was after three hours' batting. The total was 221 runs for 2 wickets, of which total Woodfull claimed 93. Macartney hit 14 fours.

Root's Leg Trap.  
As compared with Macartney, Woodfull was very dull. Woodfull reached three figures and after batting for 255 minutes, was 117 when he made the only bad stroke of his innings. He was caught by Hendren (at silly leg), off Root. Only 4 fours were credited to him. This was a track-like and unattractive game.

Woodfull was out just before tea. Andrews, who had replaced Macartney, was then 7 not out. The total was 252 for 3, the third wicket partnership producing 31 runs.

Stevens Gets Two.  
At close of play.

After the tea interval, Ponsford partnered Andrews.

Then Andrews was out. He was magnificently caught by "sub." (Chapman), off Stevens, having added only one run after tea. His own total was therefore 8. The total was 256 runs for 4 wickets, the partnership bringing only 4 runs.

Richardson went in to accompany Ponsford. In the over after Andrews' dismissal, Richardson was sent back, not having broken his duck. He snicked at a ball from Stevens and Woolley was safe with the catch. Only one run had been added to the score (257 for 5).

## Ryder Unhappy.

Ponsford saw another colleague go. Ryder was unhappy against the bowling. He snicked at a ball on the leg, from Root, and sent it into the hands of Strudwick (wicket-keeper). Ryder scored 3. His partnership with Ponsford brought 9 and the total was 266 for 6.

Gregory was then sent in. Ponsford stayed 65 minutes in collecting 23 runs (in 5th, "out 7th"). He and Gregory put on 34 runs between them and the total was exactly 300 when he was out, 7 wickets down. He was splendidly caught by Kilner (a low left-handed catch) who was the bowler.

Our Fielding.  
Oldfield then partnered Gregory. Seventeen runs were added when Gregory fell (317 for 8). Gregory gave a display typical of him. The Australian express bowler (right-handed) and smiter (left-handed) had 34 to his credit when he was caught by Kilner off Root. With Oldfield he put on 17 runs.

Grimmett then went in and played out time with Oldfield. They added 5 runs between them and were undefeated when stumps were drawn. The English fielding was excellent and frequently applauded.

## TEST COMMENT.

## HOME OPINION VIA THE CABLES.

## NOTES ON PLAYERS.

Comment on the England team for the Fourth Test match, as cabled from London on July 17 to the Singapore "Free Press" is:—The inclusion of G. T. S. Stevens (Oxford University and Middlesex) in the names of those from whom England's team for the fourth Test Match at Manchester will be selected has given great satisfaction to the public, with whom he is very popular.

Stevens made 77 for the M.C.C. against the Australians at Lord's in May and his 149 for Middlesex at Lord's later in the same month was the first century scored against the tourists. He is well up in the batting averages and is also a useful bowler.

Geary, the Leicestershire bowler, who played in the last Test Match and took two wickets for 130, is a casualty owing to ankle trouble and will not be available for a fortnight.

Selectors Criticised.  
The team for the fourth Test Match is criticised for the omission of Macaulay and Ernest Tyldesley as reserve. (Note: Both Stevens and Tyldesley are playing.)

Macaulay, who was played for his bowling in the third Test Match, captured only one wicket for 123 runs, but he scored 76 in a splendid ninth wicket stand with Geary.

Playing for Lancashire against Essex at Nelson to-day, Ernest Tyldesley made another century, making his sixth this season and bringing his aggregate runs to over 1,800. He scored 70 for Lancashire 144 against Sussex, 131 against Surrey and 131 for Players v. the Gentlemen.

Mr. Sydney Smith, the Australians' manager, expresses the opinion that, failing a decisive result in the fourth Test Match at Manchester, the fifth, at the Oval on August 14, should be played to a finish.

This seems a rather curious statement to make, inasmuch as the Board of Control of Test Matches at Home ruled that: "The matches shall be of three days' duration, but if after the fourth match neither side has secured an advantage, the fifth match shall be played to a finish."

## GOLF CLUB.

## FIRST HOLE AT DEEP WATER BAY.

## COMING COMPETITIONS.

The first hole of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club course at Deep Water Bay will be out of play for a long time, writes L. Col. E. D. Matthews, the secretary.

The Denison Cup competition for July has therefore been closed and Mr. A. K. Henderson qualifies with a score of 75, less handicap 12, equals 63. Other scores were:—J. S. McLaren 74, less 10½, equals 63½; and A. Leach 73, less 8½, equals 64½. There were 18 entries.

The August competition starts to-day and will be held over 16 holes only, on three-fifths of Fanning handicaps.

The Happy Valley August meeting is cancelled. There will be a Bogey competition at Fanning next week-end. The Captain's Cup will be played at Fanning from August 7 to 9.

## DEEP SEA FISH.

## ANGLING CLUB GETS 18 ENTRIES.

Entries closed yesterday for the deep sea fishing competition, which is to be held to-morrow evening, weather permitting, by the Hongkong Angling Club.

The hon. secretary, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, has received 18 entries.

This number is considered to be very good and the only thing the organisers have to do now is to find sufficient boats for the competitors.

Competitors should be at Blake Pier in time that the launch "Gerty" may leave punctually at 7 p.m.

Light refreshments and drinks will be supplied free of charge. Fishing boats will be provided, without cost, also Chinese fishing lines and worm bait. Other tackle and bait may be used (confined to the use of a rod or one handline), but same must be supplied by competitors themselves.

The competition will be for two hours and will be started by a signal of whistles from the launch.

The President and Vice-President will act as judges and their

## CARR'S WOES.

## EXTRA NOTES BY MAIL ABOUT 3RD TEST.

## SKIPPER AT FAULT.

Puts Aussies In: And His Missed Catch!

In cabling particulars about the Third Test—in which the Australians had the better of a draw—Reuter did not say who won the toss.

A. W. Carr won the toss but he put the Australians in and the visitors ran up the big score of 494. Macartney was missed when his score was 2 (he ultimately scored 151) and the messages did not give the name of the offending fieldman. Further details have now arrived by mail. Carr was the one man who fumbled the ball. Other interesting information follows:—

## Four Surprises.

London, July 10.  
The first surprise of to-day was the omission of Parker, who was thought an almost certainty, considering the condition of the wicket.

The second surprise was when England won the toss and put the Australians in.

Carr's gamble obviously failed. The wicket was not so tricky as he imagined.

The third, and most exciting surprise was when Bardsley was dismissed with the first ball.

The fourth surprise, alas, was when Carr missed Macartney after the latter had scored only two runs.

How Carr Missed Macartney.  
Carr could have made a left handed catch, but preferred to try both hands. He fumbled and knocked the ball up towards Geary, who nearly got it.

Macartney's subsequent score must have been most heart-breaking to Carr.

Comment on Bowling.  
Macaulay apparently had nerves and was bowling in a disappointing manner.

The wicket did not suit Kilner, but Tate bowled far better than at Lord's.

Strudwick Himself Again.  
Everybody was pleased to note that Strudwick was himself again. He made a wonderful attempt to stump Woodfull.

Geary Troubles Macartney.  
Geary puzzled Macartney several times, and once Macartney half-stopped a low ball and turned round, and just prevented the ball hitting his wicket.

Macartney's feat in passing the century before lunch has only once been equalled—by Trumper in 1902.

Selectors Criticised.  
The policy of the English selectors in leaving out Root and Parker is being severely criticised.

The tradition that the Leeds ground is most unlucky for England's bowling to-day was thoroughly hammered.

## HOME BOXING.

## PHIL SCOTT BEATS NEW ZEALANDER.

## WON ON POINTS.

Southampton, July 10.  
In a twenty rounds, contest Phil Scott out-pointed Tom Heene, the New Zealand heavy-weight.

Heene failed through slow thinking. He did not follow up the openings, and he was warned for holding.

In the first round he scored with body blows and he appeared to be ahead at the half distance, when it was raining slightly.

The New Zealander was game in toe to toe fighting, but in the 19th round Scott's persistent left leads left Heene weak. Heene's eye was cut.

The twentieth round provided an exciting finish and there was much speculation as to the result.

## SERVICE LAWN TENNIS.

London, July 10.  
At Queen's Club in the Royal Air Force lawn tennis final, Flying Officer Roupell (holder) beat Flying Officer Mueller, 6/2, 6/2, 1/6, 7/5.

In the Army final, Major Bernard (5/6 Gurkha Rifles) beat Major Holmes (West Yorks), 9/7, 9/7, 6/1.

Major McGeorge and Captain King (Royal Engineers) beat Major Bernard and Captain Broadway (5/6 Gurkha Rifles), 7/5, 4/6, 6/3, 6/4.

decision on all matters will be final.  
A prize for the best catch, as regards weight, also one for the biggest fish, will be given, provided same are in the opinion of the judges sufficiently large to warrant a prize.

## OBITUARIES.

## REV. J. A. B. COOK.

We regret to announce that news has reached Singapore of the death of the Rev. J. A. B. Cook, formerly of the Presbyterian Mission at Singapore, at Macefene, Italy on July 13.

The late Mr. Cook, who was born at South Shields in 1854, was a very well-known figure in Singapore up to the time of his retirement last year, and was the doyen of Malayan missionaries, having spent 42 years in this country.

He spoke one of the Chinese dialects fluently, and took an active part in missionary work among the Chinese in the Colony and Johore, the congregation at the Prince Street Church being his particular charge for many years.

He opened churches and schools in Singapore and Johore, helped to resuscitate the Presbyterian Church at Penang and was the founder of the church at Kuala Lumpur. He was one of the founders of the Y.M.C.A. movement in Malaya, and was a keen social worker.

He was a frequent contributor to the local press, and was the author of several books, including "Sunny Singapore," "A Suka Tuan," "Sir Thomas Stamford Raffles, etc."

Mrs. Pierrepont, wife of Mr. J. D. Pierrepont, manager of the Oriental Telephone and Electric Company at Singapore, is a daughter of the late Mr. Cook. Mrs. Jeanne Cook, whom the deceased married in 1882, died in 1923, and Mr. Cook married at Home last year a lady by whom he is survived.—"Straits Times."

Mr. W. Murray Scott.  
Friends in Hongkong will regret to learn of the death, on June 23 following an operation performed in London, of Mr. William Murray Scott, formerly manager of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery in Hongkong.

The late Mr. Murray Scott, who retired from the East some years ago, was only 56 years of age and resided since his return Home at Wakefields, Haslemere, Surrey.

The remains were cremated at Golders Green crematorium on June 25, the service being private.

Mr. C. W. Hay.  
A prominent resident of Shanghai in his day, Mr. Charles William Hay has died at the advanced age of 84 years. The death took place at his home, "Ashurst Wood House," East Grinstead, on June 24, and the funeral was at Tunbridge Wells Cemetery on June 28. It is many years since the late Mr. Hay left the Far East, his departure coinciding with the merging of the docking and engineering firm of L. C. Parnham, Boyd & Co. in the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co., Ltd. He was largely interested in the former, and had as contemporaries the late Mr. John Prentice and Mr. H. W. Lester.

Rev. T. D. Anderson.  
Wesleyan Methodism has lost a well-known and highly respected minister by the death at Bramhall Stockport, of the Rev. Theophilus D. Anderson, B.A., father of the Rev. W. J. Webb Anderson, M.B.E. Ch.B., the medical missionary, who spent over 20 years in Fatsan, near Canton, and who is now resident in England.

Lt. Col. Dobbin.  
The death took place on June 23, at the Abbey House, Armagh, of Lieut.-Colonel William James Knowles Dobbin, C.B.E., late of the India Army and the Rifle Brigade, in his 70th year. He served in six Indian expeditions, and was also at the relief of the Peking Legations. During the European War Colonel Dobbin served at Madras and with the Egyptian Expeditionary Force.

Mr. H. E. S. Pickering.  
We regret to record the death of another well-known Shanghai resident, Mr. H. E. S. Pickering, who died at the Country Hospital this morning at the age of 42, says the "Shanghai Mercury" of July 21.

The late Mr. Pickering went into hospital some little time ago to undergo an operation for gallstones. He came out of the operation successfully, it was thought, but suffered a relapse.

Deceased was one of the best known piece-goods merchants doing business in Shanghai. He had been a resident of Shanghai for many years and had acquired a large circle of friends. He had several connections with local firms.

The first of these was Messrs. Weeks & Co. Ltd., and he was also for some time a member of the firm of Frazer & Co. Ltd.

At the time of his death he was Shanghai representative of Thos. Guthrie & Co. London Manufacturing Representatives, with an office in Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.'s building.

Deceased leaves a wife and small son.

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## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

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T.T. on London .....	2/2 3/4	2/2 3/4	2/2 3/4
T.T. on Shanghai Bank .....	7 1/4	7 1/4	nom.
Hongkong Bank .....	1130 sa	1130 b	1130 s
do. London .....	£131 n	—	£130 1/2 n
Chartered Bank .....	£20 3/4 b.	£20 1/4 n.	—
Mercantile Bank A. & B. do. C. ....	£30 3/4 n.	£30 n.	—
do. ....	£13 1/2 n.	£13 1/4 n.	—
P. & O. Bank .....	£20 3/4 n.	£20 1/4 n.	—
Bank of East Asia .....	£84 b.	£83 b.	\$85 b
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance .....	630 b 640 s	640 s	\$640 s.
China Underwriters .....	180 b	190 b	190 s.
North China Insurance .....	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	—
Union Insurance .....	201 sa	208 b.	\$201 n
Yangtze Insurance .....	35 b.	40 n.	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance ...	200 b.	200 b.	—
B.K. Fire Insurance ...	590 b	585 b	590 b.
Shipping.			
Douglases .....	25 b.	25 b.	25 b.
Hongkong Steamboats ..	26 1/4 b 26 1/2 sa	26 1/4 b.	26 1/4 b 26 1/2 sa
B.K. Tugs & Lighters ..	2 1/4 n.	2 1/4 n.	2 1/4 n.
Indo-China (Pref.) .....	30 b.	30 n.	30 n.
do. (Def. L'd.) .....	40 n.	—	45 s.
do. ("") Hk. ....	—	40 n.	—
Oriental Navigation .....	—	—	—
Shell Transport .....	60 1/2 s	62 1/4 n.	60 1/2 n.
Star Ferries .....	67 3/4 n	67 1/2 s	67 1/2 h.
Water-boats .....	15 sa	15 s.	15 n 15 10 sa
Refineries.			
China Sugars .....	24 3/4 h	25 s.	25 s.
Malabon Sugars .....	33 b	34 1/4 b.	35 n
Mining.			
Benguet .....	14 n.	—	—
Kailan Mining Ad. ....	40 n.	42 1/6 n.	47 1/6 n
Langkots (Combined) ..	12 n.	T 23 b.	7 1/2 b
do. (Single) .....	12 1/2 n.	12 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration ..	5 n.	5 n.	—
Shanghai Ld. ....	7 n.	6 1/2 n.	—
Rauha .....	3 1/4 b	3 1/2 b.	5 b
Tromoh Mines .....	64 h	60 1/2 h.	—
Oral Caspians .....	8 n.	—	—
Docks, Wharves & Godowns, &c.			
R. & K. Wharves .....	\$122 1/2 b	122 1/4 b	\$122 1/2 b
R. & K. W. Docks .....	54 1/4 n.	54 1/2 b	54 1/2 b.
Hongkows .....	T 170 b	—	170 h.
New Engineering .....	500 b	T 5.85 b.	500 b.
Shanghai Docks .....	119 b	119 b.	120 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
T.K. & S. Hotels (old) ..	11 10 n	11 sa	10 3/4 b.
do. (new) .....	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands .....	65 1/4 b & sa	65 1/2 s	65 1/4 s
I.K. Realty .....	590 s	6 s.	6 s
I.K. Territorial .....	5 n.	5 n.	5 s
Tumpleys Estates .....	144 b.	15 n.	143 1/4 s.
Princes Building .....	60 sa	90 sa.	—
Rural Lands .....	1 1/2 b	—	—
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Two Cottons .....	9 1/2 b 9 1/4 sa	T 9 10 b & sa	T 9 1/4 b.
Oriental .....	235 b 270 sa	235 b.	235 b.
Shanghai Cottons (old) ..	51 b	53 b.	53 n.
do. (new) .....	26 b.	28 b.	27 n.
Miscellaneous.			
Anton Ices .....	\$7 1/2 n.	\$6 s.	\$ 7 n
ements (comb.) .....	13 1/2 n.	14 1/4 n.	13 s
do. (old) .....	12 n.	13 n.	17 s
do. (new) .....	2 n.	2 1/2 n.	2 b
China Buses .....	10 1/2 n.	—	—
China Lights (comb.) ..	21 b.	20 n.	20 1/4 s.
do. (old) .....	11 1/4 n.	15 1/2 n.	15 1/4 s.
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do. (part pd.) .....	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements ..	11 1/2 n.	11 3/4 b.	—
I.K. Constructions .....	24 n.	3 s	3 1/2 s.
Hongkong Electrics .....	68 n.	68 s.	67 1/2 s.
I.K. Developments .....	15 cts	10 cts.	10 n.
I.K. Ropes (comb.) .....	26 s.	—	30 n.
do. (old) .....	10 s	10 n.	10 n
do. (new) .....	5 s	5 n	5 n
Hongkong Tramways .....	25 1/4 n.	25 1/2 n.	25 1/4 n.
ane, Crawford .....	9 n.	8 s.	9
Acac Electrics .....	35 n.	—	—
Jarkintiah .....	10 1/2 n.	—	—
Janyang Tobaccos .....	—	13 b.	—
Leak Trams (old) .....	16 1/2 b.	17 1/2 b.	17 b.
do. (new) .....	7 10 n.	8 n.	7 1/2 s.
Merces .....	11 n.	9 1/4 b.	9 1/2 b.
Singapore Trams .....	11 1/4 b 11 1/2	11 1/2 b.	—
alis .....	3 s	3 s.	2 3/4 s
United Asbestos .....	20 n.	—	—
do. (Founders') .....	—	600 n.	—
do. (Ordinary) .....	—	18 n.	—
Vatsons (old) .....	13 1/4 n	13 1/2 b	13 b
do. (new) .....	—	—	—
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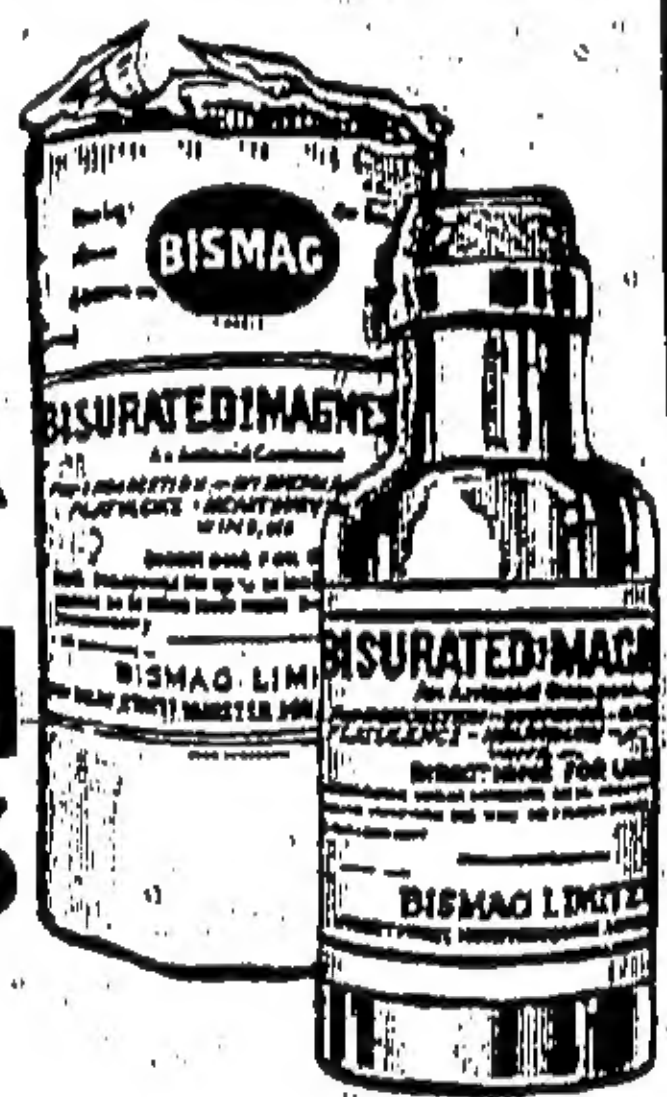
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Richard Reese Whittemore (right) was placed on trial in Baltimore on charges of murdering Robert H. Holtman, a prison guard. He is shown in Court with—(left to right)—Detective William Feehley, Roland Adams, Herbert O'Connor and Edgar Allen Poe, prosecutors.



Harry K. Thaw was photographed leaving the Court house after he failed to obtain a seat at the trial of Earl Carroll.



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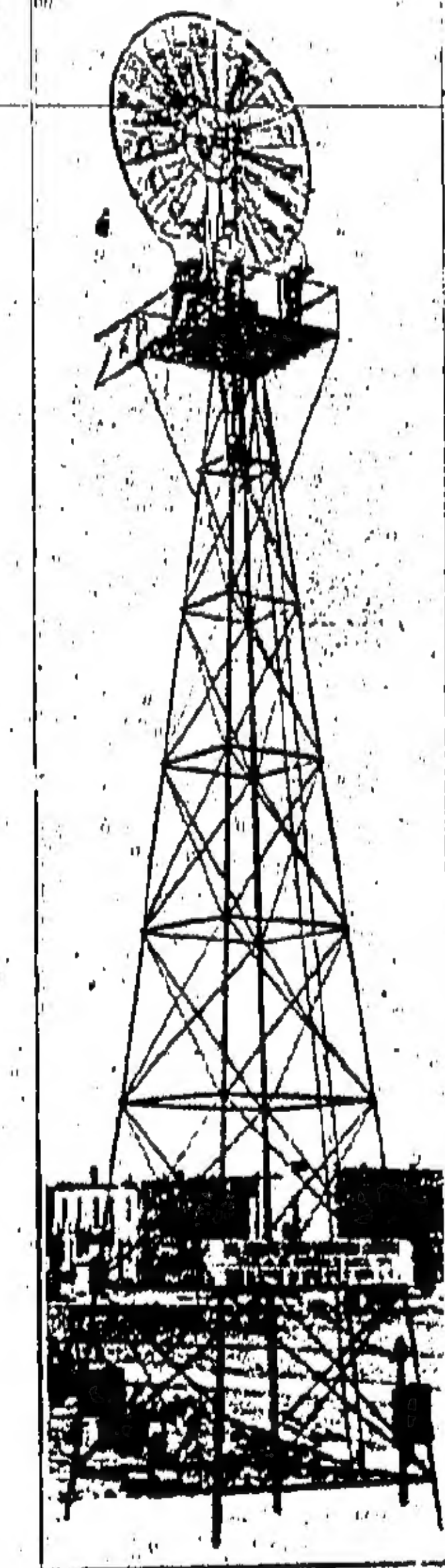


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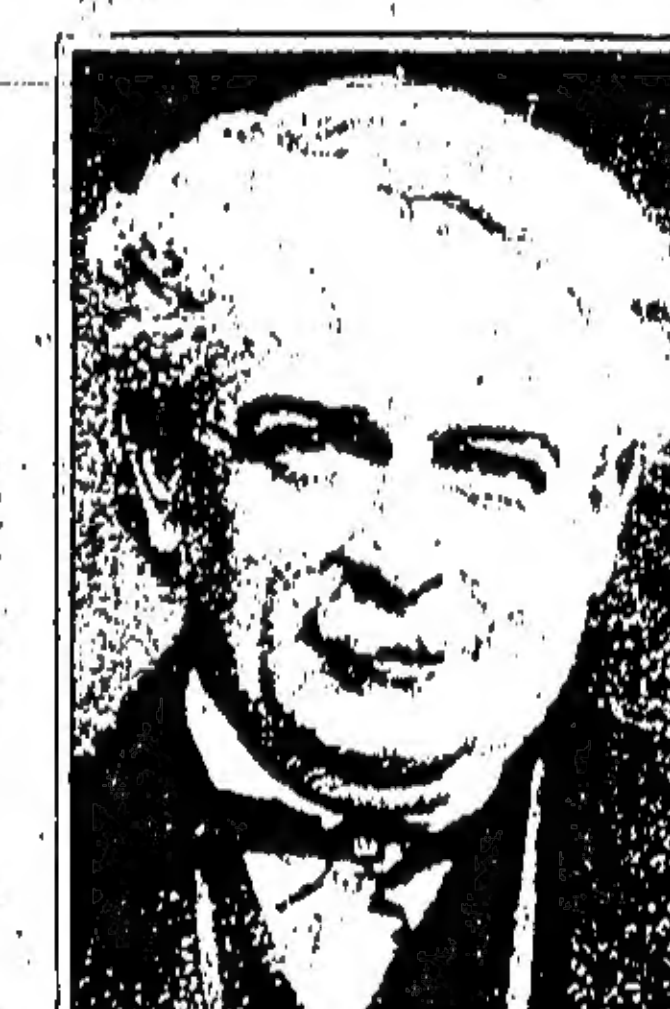


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Constance Binney, cinema actress, has been married to Charles E. Cotting, broker. Mr. Josephus Daniels, former Secretary of the U.S. Navy leads the move to abolish the two-thirds rule at the Democratic National Convention. Mr. Henry Ford's motor company earned \$526,000,000 in eleven years. Baron de Cartier, Ambassador from Belgium, is leaving the United States for a vacation at home.



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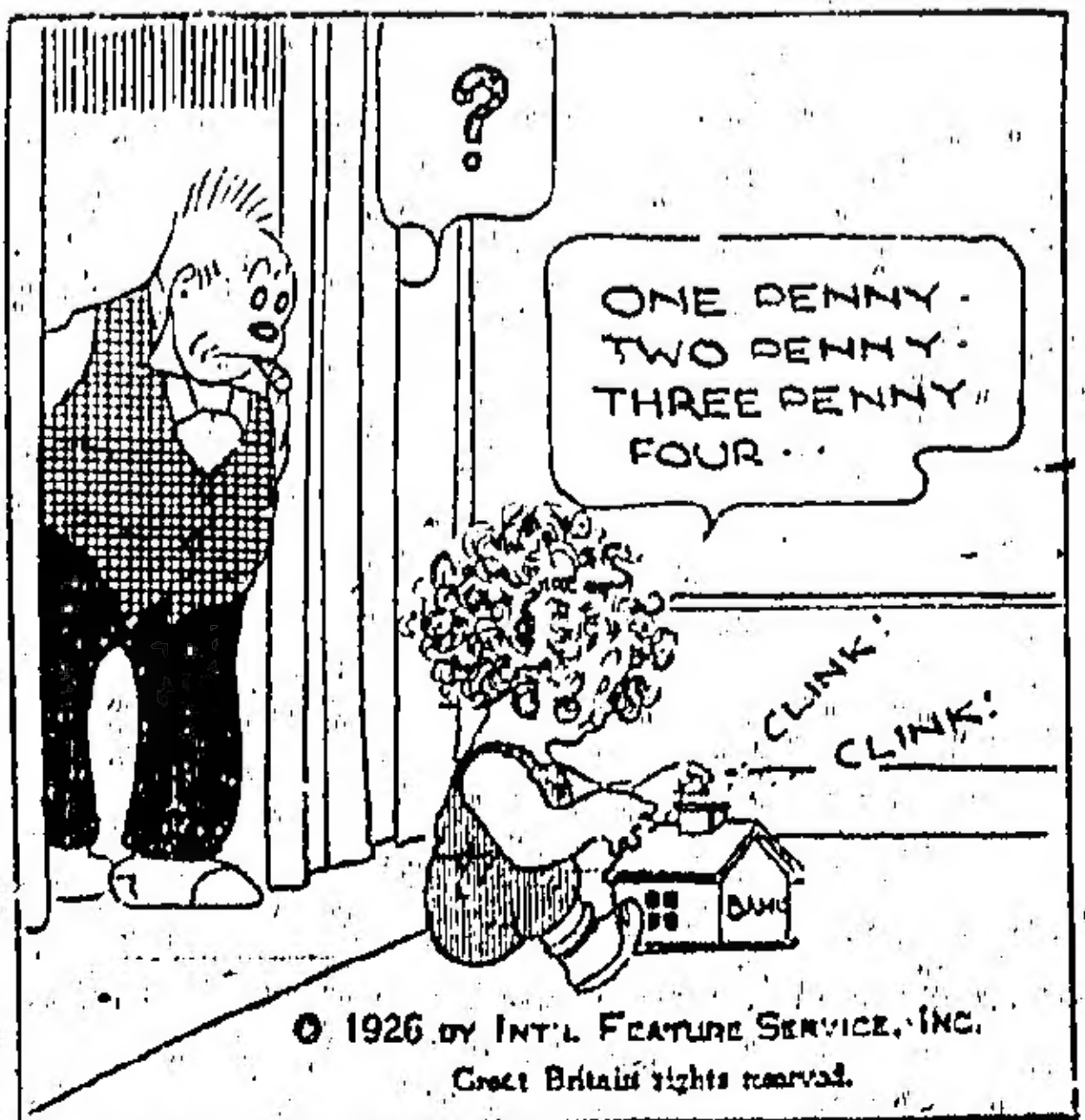
SIR JOHN SIMON



J.W. TOLBERT

Mr. David Lloyd George needs no introduction to our readers. Mr. Clarence Darrow will present the closing arguments of the Scopes evolution case at Nashville, Tennessee. Sir John Simon has become leader of the Liberals in the British Parliament. Mr. J. W. Tolbert, Republican leader in South Carolina, is "fixing the nails" for his methods of collecting contributions from appointees.

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NEWSPAPER "VERY INDISCREET."

Although he found that the defendants had in some degree justified their comments and that the plaintiff was in some matters very indiscreet, the Chief Justice Sir William Murison, on July 15 awarded \$4,000 damages to Lu Shih Zee, principal of the Oversea Chinese High School in the action in which he claimed \$10,000 damages for libel from the editor and the proprietors of the "Lat Pau Press."

After restating the libel complained of, which consisted of a manifesto by the students of the School, and the finding of the Committee, the Chief Justice said the actual allegations printed by defendants against the plaintiff could be conveniently reduced to seven heads:—That the plaintiff owing to his many misdeeds in Peking (having been in prison) had been attacked by the community there and therefore had absconded to the South; that there was no evil that he had not done; that plaintiff misappropriated some \$2,000 of the money belonging to the school; that there had always been a shortage of teachers (the innuendo here being that the plaintiff either was at fault or profited by the shortage); that he freely indulged in the vice of drinking; that he freely indulged in the vice of lust, and that before his marriage he brought his fiancée to his bedroom and neglected school functions; that his character was depraved, that he was a disgrace to the pupils and that he was a man of fallen character. The defence, said his lordship, was that they were true and that the words were published as fair comment—that is, comment without malice—with a view to giving public information on a subject of public interest. Speaking as a jurymen his lordship said he was not satisfied that there was enough evidence to justify a finding of malice; the demeanour of the editor in the witness box weighing a good deal with him in this decision. His lordship also held that the conduct of the plaintiff was a matter of public interest.

### A Common-Sense View.

Holding that, while there might be some slight justification for saying plaintiff was imprisoned, there was none for saying that he was attacked by the community or that he absconded to the South, his lordship said the common-sense view of this seemed to be that there was something corresponding to a University rag and that the plaintiff was awarded a more or less nominal sentence. So far as the statement went that he was imprisoned for "various misdeeds" it seemed to be very barely true and likely to convey a very wrong impression; while, so far as it charged plaintiff with being attacked by the community and absconding to the South, there was no evidence of any such personal attack and no evidence to connect his subsequent voyage to Japan with the disturbance or the result of it. With regard to the second charge that "there is no evil that he has not done" his lordship said he thought his proper course was to treat the charge as mere vulgar abuse which added nothing to the charges.

Dealing with the third charge that the plaintiff misappropriated some \$2,000 of the money belonging to the school the Chief Justice said it was clearly proved that the President (Mr. Tan Kah-kee) authorised plaintiff to conduct the preparatory class, and, as no objection or comment was made by the rest of the Committee, who certainly knew of its existence, it must be taken that the Committee also authorised the conduct of the class. There thus

seemed to him to be no libel. His lordship added that upon the evidence he would, if necessary, be prepared to hold that although the accounts were muddled and very loosely kept there was no proof whatever of misappropriation by the plaintiff.

The actual words of the fourth charge, his lordship continued, was that there was always a shortage of teachers. This was certainly not proved. His lordship found in regard to this charge (including in it the innuendo as to neglect) that there was no truth in it and that defendants had failed to justify their charge.

### "Drunkness and Lust."

With regard to the charge of drunkenness the Chief Justice said the evidence clearly proved that the plaintiff was under the influence of drink upon the night in question, but proof of that on one occasion only was far from being a justification of statement that plaintiff freely indulged in the vice of drinking. Although plaintiff's life from 1912 to 1926 had been brought into the limelight there had not been the slightest suggestion that plaintiff was ever under the influence of drink upon any other occasion. The words used in fact suggested to him and would suggest, he thought, to any ordinary member of the public, that the plaintiff was a habitual drunkard or at least something very like it. On the evidence he had no hesitation in saying that the charge was untrue. The words under this head were therefore, in his opinion, defamatory and had not been justified.

On the sixth charge his lordship said that the statement of plaintiff's first wife was relied upon as proof that plaintiff led a fast life in Peking. She was, however, clearly a prejudiced and rather bitter witness and he was not disposed to rely very much on her evidence. In his lordship's opinion so far as the charge concerned the life of the plaintiff before he came to Singapore there was no proof that the words used were true. The other and more serious allegation was that plaintiff's fiancée used to come to his room in the High School and stay with him in the room till late at night. There had been no allegations of misconduct during any of these visits nor had he in terms been asked to assume it. A further point was made under

this head, namely that plaintiff, while not divorced from his first wife was living in sin, as it was called, with his second wife. As he had no evidence of Chinese law of divorce and could not tell whether the paper signed by the parties was good divorce or not in China he was unable to come to any satisfactory conclusion on this point. He could, therefore, only say that the allegation that plaintiff was living an immoral life in living with his present wife was not proved. In his lordship's opinion the evidence did not justify the statement that the plaintiff freely indulged in the vice of lust. That the plaintiff was indiscreet was clear, and that the lady was in his room later and more often than he admitted might possibly be true. But most of the witnesses were obviously hostile and, apart from that, not very reliable, and, further, there was not a single suggestion of misconduct. He found, upon the whole, that the charge that the plaintiff freely indulged in the vice of lust was not proved. The seventh and last charge was only a general statement covering the particular charges preceding it, and he thought he need not give any finding upon it inasmuch as the findings upon the previous charges covered it.

### Mitigation of Damages.

It was clear, the Chief Justice proceeded, that in consequence of rash and untrue statements made by the defendants, the plaintiff's reputation had been injured. Damages, however, were assessable upon the whole case. In mitigation of damages, he found that defendants were not actuated by malice; that defendants had justified in some degree; and that the plaintiff who, in his position as Principal, should have been meticulously careful in his conduct, was in some matters very indiscreet and went far to provoke the hostile comments published by defendants; nor was any special damage pleaded and it was not apparent that plaintiff would lose his position as a result of the action. These considerations must, he thought, materially diminish the amount of damages recoverable and the amount claimed in the writ (\$10,000) was, he thought, a very generous estimate on the plaintiff's part. Taking the whole circumstances of the case into consideration and weighing them to the best of his ability as a jurymen, he assessed the damage to the plaintiff's reputation at \$4,000.

Judgment for this amount was entered against the defendants severally and jointly.—S.F.P.

### SUN'S PHASES.

Calendar for July.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hongkong for July, 1926. (Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich).

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
July		
" 27	5.52	7.06
" 28	5.52	7.06
" 29	5.53	7.06
" 30	5.53	7.05
" 31	5.54	7.05

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